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VOTE NOT OFTEN BUT EARLY

If the public schools of Tonopah are conducted in wasteful, inefficient, slipshod, mediaeval manner or otherwise mis- or mal-administered, it is the duty of the men and women of this city to go to the polls tomorrow and vote the incumbents, who are candidates for re-election, out of office.

If, however, it is the belief of the people that the board of trustees have been economical in the conduct of the department, have sacrificed their time without remuneration, have chosen their teaching force wisely and well, have kept abreast of the times, have given the schools of this city a far flung prominence for modern equipment and modern methods, then it is the duty of all voters, men and women, to go to the polling place tomorrow and return the incumbents without a dissenting vote. Ask the pupils, ask the parents.

UNNECESSARY, UNJUST AND CRUEL

WHEN a strong man cries, it is evidence of a deep seated and terrible grief. If the man is without family ties and lavishes his affections upon a dog and the dog responds in mute gratitude and fealty, there is a bond between them that is almost sacred.

Yesterday a harmless, affectionate, faithful, fourfooted friend was shot and killed because it took advantage of an open gate and scampered out in the street without its accustomed muzzle. The killing of the dog was legitimized murder, but murder at that. It was committed for pay and the persons who paid the price are accessories before the fact.

It is needless, wanton, cruel slaughter, this slaying of mankind's friends, household defenders and children's pets.

It may be all very well to put an end to the existence of nomad dogs, although there are no mad dogs in the community, but to slay the fourfooted creatures that are human, all say, the base qualities of the bipeds, is such a vile offense that all who give pay and all who receive pay in the conspiracy are not deserving of recognition by their fellows. Let a few lines from Byron's Dream of Darkness be quoted:

"Even dogs forsook their masters, all save one, and he was faithful to a corpse and kept the birds and beasts and famished men at bay till hunger clung them or the drooping dead lured their lank jaws. Himself sought out no food, but it was piteous and perpetual moan, and a quick, desolate cry, licking the hand that answered not with a caress—he died."

THE PASSING OF A CAMP

TO one who has pioneered this desert for a decade or more the loneliness of the country has a charm that cannot be described, but which is so fascinating that it recalls him to its environs from the more populous centers. Although this may be true of the open desert country, it acts directly the opposite when once any lonely spot has been inhabited and has seen the throb of life and activity, and then from some cause dies and returns to its primeval quite and solitude.

The town of Blair is such a place. In the days before the advent of great capital there was an irresistible charm and attraction to the old hills around the Peak that called prospectors and millionaires there and the speculation as to the untold wealth reposing in the vaults of nature in the Drinkwater hill was active and living. The properties were taken over and the big mill began its career of gold getting. The mines for a time filled their niche, but today there is beginning the dismantling process which will end with the removal of everything placed there by the hand of man and the return to its original state of the city once so busy and so lively.

The great mill is silent and the few men who are working are slowly loading all of value onto cars and the train slides off with its load. The wind was whistling through the great structures around about and the feeling of loneliness and depression was overpowering. There were two old locomotives and many old cars, a gasoline motor too old to pay for repairing, standing out in the weather musing and lost in melancholy for the passing of the time when their activities were adding to happiness of mankind. The time will arrive shortly when the pumping plant down on the marsh will cease to supply the water to the town and then the end will be at hand and the veil will be drawn on another town in Nevada that had its time in the spot light and passed out into the oblivion from which it emerged a decade ago.

ALLIES IN CONFERENCE

IT is natural that the imagination should be set working by the news concerning a conference of the military, political and diplomatic leaders of the allies in Paris. The list of names is so imposing that coupled with the crisis at Verdun it suggests all manner of possibilities, chief among which are plans for peace and plans for a still more vigorous offensive, says the San Francisco Chronicle.

Reading the report carefully, one notes the fact that almost every detail save the subject for discussion is given. The censor, busy at all points, will naturally be more than usually active at the keyhole of such a conference. Though a decision should be carried by a bare majority, whatever is reported to the world will be reported as a unanimous verdict.

Similar conferences are doubtless held by the central powers from time to time, unless we accept the partisan theory that Germany has completely dominated and overruled her allies and that the whole campaign is directed from under the kaiser's helmet.

But these meetings of the representatives of Germany, Austria, Turkey and Bulgaria are not reported and therefore, the outside world is denied the privilege of speculating as to Teutonic intentions save in the most general manner.

There can be no question as to the smoother working of the combination of the central powers. Even if we are not taken so much into their confidence and shown their accord we can assume their unanimity of thought from their perfect co-operation in action.

On the other hand, the failure of the allies to co-operate on the field is proof positive of their inability to agree when in meeting assembled. Only in France and Flanders, and not always there, have the allies exhibited anything like harmony in their plans. At Gallipoli, at Saloniki and, most notably, in Serbia, there was little or no co-operation of the forces arrayed against the central powers. To this day Italy has come in line only to the extent of accepting the policy known as no separate peace, and even on this her agreement was not immediate. She has not yet declared a state of war against Germany, and, though formal declarations are no longer necessary, the omission is not without a certain significance.

It may be that this conference in Paris will leave the allies more united than ever, and then again it may be held for the purpose of adjusting differences which threaten disruption.

"DRESS SUIT" WISDOM

A NEWSPAPER dispatch the other day reported that the Moulders' union of Worcester, Massachusetts, had been notified to wear dress suits to their annual dance. The item said other trade unions would do the same thing. It was claimed this would remove social distinctions, make the work-

ingman feel his own dignity. Is the idea of wearing "dress suits" spreading among all classes of men?

Formerly one had to go to swell tailors for this article of attire, that is, unless he were satisfied to rent it. The common custom among table waiters of wearing dress suits made this article of masculine wear more common and accessible. Ready made clothing factories turn them out by the bale, adapted with great skill to various eccentricities of the human figure. Some men make them last for a lifetime for dress-up occasions.

The first time a man puts a dress suit on he luxuriates before the mirror at the glorious sight. He has a new idea of his own importance. The Worcester, Massachusetts, moulders, if they are human, will feel a sentiment of pride superior to that produced by turning out the best casting. To many men who have become accustomed to them, the bother seems a nuisance. They approve of fine feathers for women, but believe the male of the species should be sartorially inconspicuous.

INTEREST ON INCREASE AT END OF SCHOOL YEAR

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ham, of the school of engineering of the University of Nevada, is now experimenting with the various styles of wireless outfits and when he has decided which he will install at the university he will advise with the high schools of the state with a view to getting as many as possible interested in equipping with wireless in order that the high schools may communicate with each other and with the university. At the present time Tonopah is the only school that is ready to go ahead at once with the installation of the system, but it is expected that others will fall into line as soon as they can get the funds. When the clubs are ready for work, local engineers, mechanics and professional men will be asked to lend their assistance in solving the boys' problems.

For the manual training department additional room and equipment are being planned for the coming year. The work in wood and problems in mechanical drawing turned out by this department the present year are equal to the best in the state. However, a finishing room must be provided; some wood-working machinery is essential for pupils who have completed a year of hand work in wood; and work will be given in hard wood for the advanced pupils.

In the domestic art and science department more room and equipment will be needed. A sewing room apart from the cooking room is absolutely essential; more sewing machines are needed and lockers must be provided in which pupils may keep their work; linen, dishes, silver ware, and some furniture are required to equip a model dining room. These and a re-

ference library are part of the plans for this department for the future in order to keep it in the front rank.

It is hoped that provision can be made for efficient supervision in drawing, penmanship, and physical development for both grades and high school.

Plans are being worked out to prevent any over crowding of rooms the coming year in order that each teacher and each pupil may do the most efficient work possible. The coming week the special teacher employed for coaching pupils in the crowded rooms will begin work. The two rooms that have been most crowded during the year have been the fifth grade and the seventh grade. There are in these rooms some pupils who, because of the utter impossibility of giving them individual attention, would fall of promotion. They will have an opportunity to receive special help from this special teacher to make up their deficiencies. Under no system is it possible for all pupils to complete the work of a grade in a year and no doubt some will fall in spite of this modified Batavian system. It will, however, give the opportunity for promotion to the maximum number.

This gives the most pressing needs for the continued progress of the schools. There are others coming up all the time. The needs and plans for providing them are being discussed continually by other live school authorities and, while it is not expected that everything will or can be done at once, every effort will continue to be put forth by an efficient, economic administration to keep up the good work of improvement so successfully begun.

REGAINING HEALTH

The many friends of Mr. "Bill" Reyman, who left Tonopah in a serious condition a number of weeks ago, will be pleased to learn that he is fast

regaining his former robust health. Mr. Reyman is being treated by Dr. Willard at the St. Luke's hospital, San Francisco.

NOTICE OF DIVIDEND

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of The Tonopah Mining company of Nevada, held this day, a regularly quarterly dividend of fifteen per cent was declared, payable April 20th, 1916, to stockholders of record at 3:00 o'clock p. m., March 21st, 1916. Transfer books will close at 3:00 p. m. March 31st, and open at 10:00 a. m. April 8th for dividend and close April 12th and open May 3rd account annual meeting.

(Signed) C. A. HIGBEE, Secretary.
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